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## RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sirs:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed on September 12, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 12, 2003. The Examiner's rejections have been carefully considered, and in view of the remarks and claim amendments, reconsideration and early allowance of Claims 1-7 is courteously requested.

Amendment to the Specification: None.

Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Drawings: None.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

Appendix: None.

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